

NOMINATION FORM
for the
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

1. NAME					
COMMON: Toll Gate Posts (two)					
AND/OR HISTORIC:					
2. LOCATION					
STREET AND NUMBER: U.S. Rt. 40, west of Kemp Drive					
CITY OR TOWN: west of Frostburg					
STATE Maryland			COUNTY: Allegany		
3. CLASSIFICATION					
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Object		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both		Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No					
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> Museum <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific					
<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Comments <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) markers					
4. OWNER OF PROPERTY					
OWNER'S NAME: State of Maryland for the State Roads Commission					
STREET AND NUMBER: Baltimore & Washington International Airport					
CITY OR TOWN: Glen Burnie			STATE: Maryland		
5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION					
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: Allegany County Courthouse					
STREET AND NUMBER: 30 Washington Street					
CITY OR TOWN: Cumberland			STATE: Maryland		
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #):					
6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS					
TITLE OF SURVEY:					
DATE OF SURVEY: <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local					
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:					
STREET AND NUMBER:					
CITY OR TOWN:			STATE:		

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7. DESCRIPTION	
CONDITION	(Check One) <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/> Ruins <input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One) (Check One) <input type="checkbox"/> Altered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unaltered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moved <input type="checkbox"/> Original Site
DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE	
<p>Located to the west of Kemp Drive, the two gate posts stand, one on each side, along U.S. Route 40 in western Allegany County near the Garrett County line.</p> <p>The posts are metal obelisks five feet in height and about fifteen inches square at the bottom. Each post is mounted in a concrete base and have two hinge hooks protruding out of the west side and corresponding nuts on the east side.</p> <p>Set back from the berm of the road, the posts appear to have been moved when the road was widened in recent years.</p>	

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- ☐ Pre-Columbian ☐ 16th Century ☐ 18th Century ☐ 20th Century
☐ 15th Century ☐ 17th Century ☒ 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) c. 1830s

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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|---|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

These gate posts were probably erected in the mid-late 1830s when the federal government transferred ownership of the National Road to the states through which sections of it passed.

The National Road, built in the early nineteenth century, was a major transportation artery connecting the East Coast with the Midwest. From the 1820s through the 1830s, the National Road was related to the national debate on the constitutionality of federal involvement in "internal improvements". Several congressmen felt that those who used the road should help defray the maintenance costs but that the federal government should not charge tolls. Congress eventually settled the question by turning the ownership of the National Road over to the states through which it passed.

Before the states would accept ownership of the roadway, the federal government had to agree to repair the roadbed, which in places meant complete reconstruction, and the building of or the provision of funds for the construction of toll houses and gates. The LaVale Toll Gate House, west of Cumberland, was the first and for several years the only toll house within the Maryland section of the National Road. No evidence exists, however, indicating that a toll house was built at the site of these gate posts to the west of Frostburg.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

"LaVale Toll Gate House", National Register of Historic Places, 1970.
Form on file at Maryland Historical Trust, Annapolis, Maryland.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY				O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES			
CORNER	LATITUDE				LONGITUDE			
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds		Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	
NW	°	'	"		°	'	"	
NE	°	'	"		°	'	"	
SE	°	'	"		°	'	"	
SW	°	'	"		°	'	"	

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

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11. FORM PREPARED BY

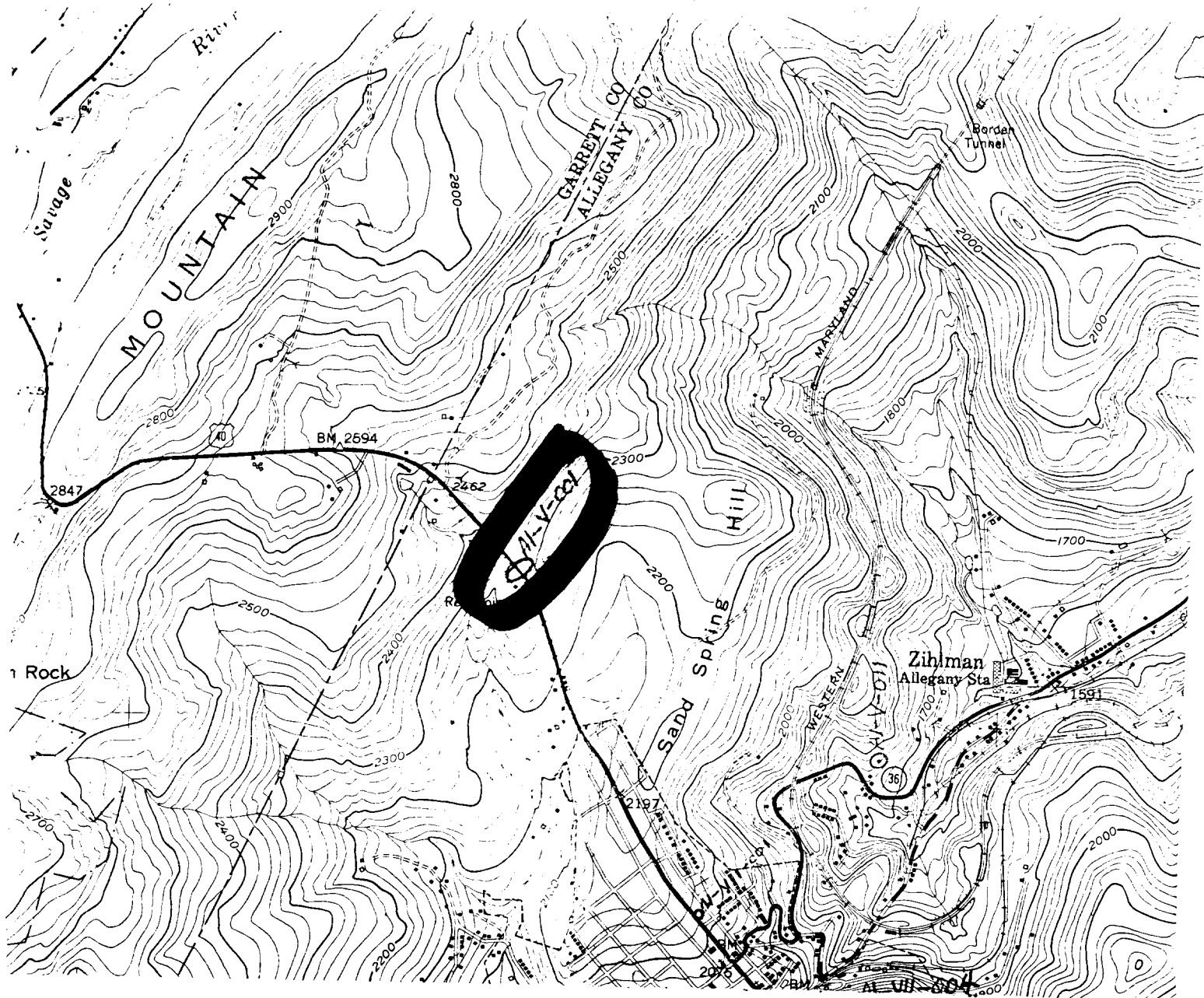
NAME AND TITLE: Ronald L. Andrews, Historic Site Survey		DATE 5/15/75
ORGANIZATION Tri-County Council for Western Maryland, Inc.		
STREET AND NUMBER: Algonquin Motor Inn, Suite 510		
CITY OR TOWN: Cumberland	STATE Maryland	

12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

Signature _____



Frostburg, MD - PA Quad
 U.S.G.S. 7.5 minute series
 1949
 scale 1:24000

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 Toll Gate Posts (two)
 U.S. Route 40, west of Kemp Drive



South east
Tall Dade Cacti
U.S. Route 40
west of Frostburg
Allegheny Co., MD
June, 1975
NE men

South pole
NE men

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North post
Tall Lake post
U.S. Route 40
west of Swathburg
Allegheny County, Md.
SE view
June, 1974

North post
SE view

RONALD L. ANDREWS



Toll Gate Post

U.S. Route 40

west of Frostburg

Alligany Co., Md

looking west

June, 1954

looking west

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